

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office Of The Governor

WHEREAS, South Dakota was almost exclusively an agricultural state during her first few decades, growing and developing through the courage and industry of the homesteaders; and,

WHEREAS, Peter Norbeck, born of homesteaders in Dakota Territory, and possessing the genius to improve well drilling equipment and the skills to build a thriving business, brought well drilling costs down ten fold, thereby boosting South Dakota land values and opening much of the state up to settlement; and,

WHEREAS, First as State Senator, then as Governor, and finally as United States Senator, Peter Norbeck worked tirelessly to establish Custer State Park, Mount Rushmore National Memorial, and Badlands National Park, which are still the foundations of the state's growing tourist industry; and,

WHEREAS, The citizens of South Dakota and millions of visitors to the state derive benefit and pleasure from Senator Norbeck's great accomplishments:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GEORGE S. MICKELSON, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim June 3, 1989, in South Dakota's Centennial Year and the 50th Anniversary of Badlands National Park, as

PETER NORBECK DAY

in South Dakota.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Thirtieth Day of March, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Nine

GEORGE S. MICKELSON, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

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JOYCE HAZELTIME, SECRETARY OF STATE